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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides an improved cyanide exchange process for preparation of 1-[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-1,3-dihydro-5-isobenzofuran carbonitrile, followed by the treatment of crude 1-[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-1,3-dihydro-5-isobenzofuran carbonitrile with a cyanide reversal agent and its purification from a solvent system.